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ISRAELI LEADERS AFTER HISTORIC PARLIAMENT DECISION. - Premier Golda Meir (left) and Menahem Begin, Gahal leader (right) both smile as they leave Knesset building in Jerusalem. Golda told Parliament that Israeli acceptance of ceasefire and Rogers Plan should not be interpreted as carte blanche for Jarring. "There will be no withdrawal by Israel from any territory before a peace agreement," she vowed. Begin said his party is leaving government because acceptance of UN Security Council Resolution endangers the very existence of Israel. UN hopes shooting will end this week (special wire photo)

Israel denies Arab report

MIDEAST DEAL IS FINAL

U.N. believes Jerusalem will be "flexible"

by the CJN diplomatic editor

Sources close to United Nations Middle East mediator Jarring stated on Monday that the break-up of Israel's Government of National Unity will facilitate the task of those entrusted by the United Nations with the mission to end the Middle East conflict. The news from Jerusalem that the Israeli Parliament gave Golda Meir an overwhelming vote of confidence to accept the Rogers Plan for a ninety-day ceasefire and for negotiating peace according to the Security Council Resolution, has strengthened the hope for a Middle East peace, say United Nations diplomats.

In Israel the exit of Menahem Begin and Ezer Weizman from the Government of National Unity, and the resignation of four other Gahal ministers, confirmed by the National Council of this second largest political party, was received with mixed emotion by the press. Premier Golda Meir, in an address to the nation and in Parliament, expressed her regret at the breakup of the National Government, as did Foreign Minister Abba Eban. Mrs. Meir expressed the hope that Gahal would resume its place in the government. She said the decision of the majority to accept the Rogers Plan came after assurances from the American Government that the ceasefire period would not affect the present military positions.

In Paris Le Monde, France's foremost newspaper which often reflects the opinions of the Quai d'Orsay, said editorially that the elimination of "the ultranationalist Gahal Party" from the Israeli Cabinet may convince Nasser that "the step taken in the direction of reconciliation by Mrs. Golda Meir is not the last...it will give the Israeli Government a margin for manouever and flexibility which it lacked since the Cabinet of National Unity was formed three years ago."

This opinion was shared by the entourage of UN Secretary U Thant who was active this week with Dr. Jarring in accelerating the steps provided by the provisions of the Rogers Plan.

Menahem Begin, now the Leader of the Opposition, told the nation that he could not remain in the Government because of what happened. The Rogers Plan, he said, is not a peace plan but a diktat imposed upon Israel by a conspiracy of Moscow, Washington and Cairo. It will not bring peace, he said.

The parties remaining in Golda Meir's coalition have an absolute majority in the Knesset. They are: the United Labor Party, aligned with Mapam; the small Independent Liberal Party; the National Religious Party.

At the meeting of the executive of the National Religious Party, three members of Parliament voted against approval of the Rogers Plan. They are: Rabbi M.Z. Neriya, spiritual head of the B'nei Akiva Yeshivot; Zevulun Hammer, leader of the National Religious Youth Movement; Dr. R. Shaki, Professor of Law at the University of Tel Aviv, who took the parliamentary seat of the late Minister Shapira. Dr. Yitzhaq Raphael, Dr. Israel Ben Meir and M. Hazani asked to approve the Golda Meir point of view as did the two Mizrachi Cabinet ministers, Drs. Wahrhaftig and Burg.

Arab sources say that the Israeli Government already has agreed to withdraw from all territory conquered from Egypt in the Six Day War, including Sharm El Sheikh, in exchange for Egypt's agreeing to declare these waterways open to Israeli shipping. Also, say Arab informants, Jordan had agreed to minor rectifications of the borders with Israel. Israel, on the other hand, accepted a special status for a united Jerusalem.

Abba Eban, Israel's Foreign Minister, denies all these reports. He said that Israel agreed to negotiate without preconditions on all issues outstanding.

Canada's United Church changes Israeli policy?

BALANCED STAND

by the CJN religious news editor

INAUGURATES NEW ERA BETWEEN THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA AND JEWISH COMMUNITY. - Prof. Allen T. Davies, whose article in the August Observer stresses antisemitism of "anti-Zionist" propaganda and the links between Judaism and the Land of Israel.

The United Church of Canada has delegated three of its leaders to visit the Middle East, including Israel. This delegation, according to the United Church Observer, official publication of the United Church, includes: Moderator Dr. R. B. McClure; the Rev. N. Bruce McLeod, minister of the Bloor St. United Church; the Rev. Donald Stirling, chairman of the Toronto Conference Committee on International Affairs. They were scheduled to leave on August 5th.

This delegation, which will confer with Arab and Israeli leaders as well as with church dignitaries of the area, hopes both to promote a conciliation and to contribute to a peaceful solution of the Arab-Israeli problem.

The information that the United Church finally has decided to designate such an official delegation has aroused profound interest in different religious circles in Canada. Many religious leaders, especially Jewish clergymen who always had maintained the friendliest rapport with the United Church, had deplored the fact that the United Church permitted the editor to turn the Observer practically into a Canadian edition of the Al Fatah daily and the Al Ahram of Cairo.

The Observer, under its present editorship, practically ignored such important issues as religious persecution in Communist countries, the tragedy of Czechoslovakia; it had decided itself to "anti-Zionism". (Its editor, when he appeared at the Senate Media Committee in Ottawa, spoke as though he were a representative of the extremist Arab lobby here.)

The last issue of the Observer (August, 1970) published for the first time two articles critical of the editor's incessant drive against Israel. They are by the Rev. Alan T. Davies and by Israeli Consul General in Toronto, Dr. Aba Gefen.

However, in order to retain the anti-Israeli character of the Observer, the editor says the essay by Dr. Davies, who is professor at Victoria College, is published because "we were aksed to print it." All he has to say about Dr. Gefen's contribution is that the Consul's statement is an "honest expression of a viewpoint of the Government of which he is an honored representative."

On the other hand, to cover public opinion in Israel, the Observer publishes an article by none other than Simha Flapan, who becomes "a distinguished editor" because he is one of a small minority of Israelis who would accept a defeatist policy. Flapan, in fact, practically is unknown to the readers of the important Israeli newspapers.

To maintain the tradition of the Russian and Al Fatah "anti-Zionism" in the Observer, the editor has so arranged the layout that it still looks like an anti-Israeli publication which graciously allots space to dissenters.

The cover features a picture of two "Arab victims" of Israel under the headline: Among the Victims, Hatred Burns Deeper.

Inside, a cartoon of Moshe Dayan, who doesn't see the Palestinians, is featured prominently. No photo is published to give the reader an idea that there are Arab students at Israeli universities, that hundreds of thousands of Arabs live in peace and harmony with Jews. Also, the piece contributed by the editor overflows with hatred for Israel.

However the article by Dr. Davies is considered by religious circles here as the opening of a new era which finally may give back to the United Church Observer its religious character and bring the membership of the United Church closer to the understanding that the new "anti-Zionism" is tantamont to antisemitism.

LENINGRAD TRAGEDY

London, (JCNS). - Two Leningrad Jews have written to the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet and the Procurator-General of the USSR pleading for the release of eight Jews arrested in Leningrad on June 15, the JCNS Foreign Staff reports. They protested against the hours of degrading searches suffered by other Leningrad Jews and declared that the city's Jewish community lives in "agonizing uncertainty. . .waiting for what will follow".

Grigory Vertlib, a jurist, and Gilel Shur, an engineer, said in their letter that a trial was being prepared against people who wanted only one thing: to go to Israel. The arrest and trial of these people, they alleged was revenge on the part of the authorities, who had not been able to break their spirit.

"We categorically state that those arrested had written down all their complaints and petitions in complete accordance with Soviet laws. They, like us, had never thought to commit any act that violates the law or which is harmful to the Soviet people."

In these difficult days, said Mr. Vertlib and Mr. Shur, "we cannot keep silent, even if revenge falls on us. We have already experienced repression at work. . .

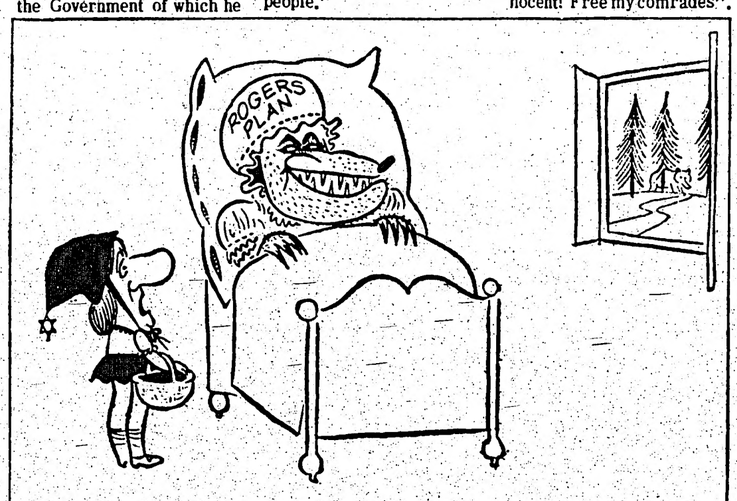
"We demand freedom for the innocent people arrested! Give them, and us, the possibility of going to Israel!"

"FREE MY INNOCENT COMRADES"

In another letter addressed to the Procurator-General, Viktor Boguslavsky recalled that the arrested Jews had been reported in the press to have been involved in an aircraft highjacking attempt -- yet arrests and searches were being made miles away by the KGB within 40 minutes of the supposed take-off of the aircraft, and his own home had been searched.

The guilt of his arrested comrades, said Boguslavsky, was that "they wished to live on the soil of their historical homeland, in their own national State, among their own people. . .A lively interest in the fate of one's people and to live for one's people cannot be considered a criminal offence.

"My comrades are innocent! Free my comrades".



"Grandma, what big teeth you have!" Zrev in Haaretz, Tel Aviv

Commentary

BY M. J. NURENBERGER

Diaspora and Israel

THE HISTORIC DECISION

Last Friday's decision by a majority-vote within the Israeli Cabinet to accept the American plan for a temporary ceasefire, and negotiations in the spirit of the UN Security Resolution 242, is a turning point in Jewish history. No one should underestimate the historic significance of the decision made by Golda Meir and her government-majority.

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When Moshe Dayan stated that Israel is not so strong that she could permit herself to break up her alliance with the United States, he must have made that remark with a heavy heart. As to Golda Meir, one must recall a statement of hers made several months ago when she said she envied Abba Eban. For Eban, she noted, would not have to announce to a United Nations forum (as she had when she was Ben Gurion's Foreign Minister following the '56 Sinai Campaign) that Israel withdraw from *all* occupied territory.

Yet the decision of the Golda Meir Cabinet now is a fact. Israel accepts the basic principles outlined by the UN Security Council following Egypt's and Jordan's acceptance of the Rogers Plan.

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However, all this said, the present situation in the Middle East, while it could be compared with the Eisenhower-Dulles pressures of '56, still is different; it should not cause the kind of despair that overwhelmed many of us after the Sinai war.

First, the acceptance by Nasser and Hussein of the American plan essentially may be a move to effect a complete evacuation by Israel of newly conquered territory. Will Israel accept what Nasser proclaims publicly, namely the withdrawal from *all* territories, including Jerusalem and the Golan Heights?

For the record, I wish to state that Israel apparently contemplates no such retreat. What could be accepted by the Israelis, according to my information, is the establishment of a symbolic Jordanian presence on the Mount of the Temple.

The acceptance of the principle of the negotiations in their present development by Moshe Dayan stresses Israel's determination not to relinquish Sharm El Sheikh. Since Russia's basic interest in her support of the Rogers Plan is the reopening of the Suez Canal, Dayan must have obtained support from the Cabinet to the effect that Israel will not agree to leave her only gateway to East Asia and Africa at the discretion of the Soviet Union.

Diplomatic, expert opinion seems to support the thesis that because the USSR is concerned primarily with the reopening of the Suez such a step would help Nasser too as well as his Libyan and Sudanese allies.

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The most recent development within the Arab world is a definite conflict of interest between the Maghreb (Morocco, Algeria and Tunisia) and the eastern Arab countries on the Mediterranean. Algeria sees in Nasser and his Libyan ally the most dangerous competitor. Thus, if the Egyptian dictator is ready for a compromise, it is because the reopening of the Suez may give him back---under Soviet "protection"---some economic independence plus American goodwill.

Those in the Israeli Cabinet---first of all, Golda Meir---committed to a no withdrawal from *all* newly conquered territories maintain that the acceptance by one or two Arab nations of a territorial compromise would determine what Russia really wants in the Middle East. However, the question remains: can Nasser survive a peace agreement with Israel without withdrawal from *all* territories?

Of course, it is clear from what transpires in the chancelleries of the big powers and within the Arab world that those involved in the Middle East issues realize that under no circumstances would Israel redivide Jerusalem or leave the entrance to the Gulf of Tiran. Still the negotiations seem to be proceeding. Will they conclude with an agreement?

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Now we come to the position of Menahem Begin, legendary hero of the Irgun underground and leader of the Gahal Party. His opposition to the acceptance of the Rogers proposal also seems to be dictated by pragmatic considerations just so much as the position of Golda Meir and Dayan.

Begin apparently believes that if such negotiations commence after Israel's *a priori* commitment to the principle of withdrawal, in the process of the talks pressure against Jerusalem's position may be so strong as to force the Government practically to surrender all advantages it now holds.

At any time during negotiations, the Americans may ask the Israelis: does it pay to argue over a piece of territory? And the Russians may renew their bullying and declare: unless Israel accepts our version of the Security Council Resolution, we shall support Nasser in an effort to "liberate" Arab countries by force.

Thus Begin speaks of the Munich like arrangement. What happened in Munich? It began by the surgery---the cutting off of the Sudetenland and continued with a well organized takeover in Slovakia, culminating in the occupation of Prague.

Although there is reason for comparison, those in the Israeli Government who accept Washington's advice repeat that Israel is not so weak as to have to accept a *diktat;* it possesses very sophisticated means of defense which it refuses to use. Yet at the same time, it rejects the possibility of turning the area into a new Vietnam in order to accommodate both superpowers with a new area of limited confrontation at the expense of two-and-a-half million Jews.

Thus the die is cast. The Government of Israel, its majority, believes that an acceptance by Israel of the American plan and a peace treaty are worth the relinquishing of *some territory.*

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To those abroad who would mention the historic commitment of the Israeli Government as the guardian of the Land of Israel, the Prime Minister of Israel says: for three years Greater Israel was open for immigration of North American Jews and other Jews from Western countries; they could have established the fact of Jewish presence by colonizing the land; they did not come. It is the children of the Israelis who are fighting and dying at the fronts of the Jewish homeland. Thus this ominous, historic decision must be made by the Israelis---and by the Israelis themselves.

If one rejects Nahum Goldmann's intervention in the internal affairs of Israel, one simultaneously must accept that other Jews abroad have no moral right to take a position on this issue.

The soldiers fighting at the Suez, their brothers, their parents, those Jews who have chosen the hard life in the Land of Israel and have become the guardians of Jewish sovereignty---they, and they alone will decide how much, if any, of the territory liberated in the Six Day War could be dispensed with without affecting the security of the country.

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As I see it from here, Israel's problem is: both Golda Meir and Menahem Begin make sense when they present the issue to the people dwelling in Zion.

Of course, in this decision, from the historic viewpoint and our attachment to the entire Land of Israel, every Jew is involved emotionally.

But those of us in the Diaspora cannot even dare suggest what the Israelis should decide. I am sure that whatever the decision, the leaders of Israel will not settle for less than peace and security if they make concessions.

It always has been my contention that there should be no political parties in the Diaspora supporting one or another internal Israeli viewpoint. The old structure of Zionist factions in organized Jewish communities abroad is so obsolete as some of their theories. I still adhere to this credo: those who suffer and fight in Israel are the ones to make the final decision.

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RUSSIANS TRAIN ARAB TERRORISTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Paris, (JCNS). - There is a Russian sabotage school in Czechoslovakia for training Arab terrorists, according to a report in the French newspaper, Le Figaro, in a dispatch from a special correspondent in Vienna.

The paper said the school operated technical instruction in Prague's fashionable Deyvice quarter, in a building near the Chinese Embassy, and practical training in Kosice, Slovakia.

After previous preparatory teaching, trainees are given instruction in sabotage, bomb-throwing and close combat. They are all members of El Fatah. Each course lasts three months.

TORONTO SYNAGOGUES AND ORGANIZATIONS

GRADUATES

Recent graduates of Beth Am Religious School are Stephen Anisman, Joel Bainerman, Rickey Bercovici, Neil Bockneck, Brian Bogach, Brenda Cooper, Gayle Goldberg, Harvey Goldmintz, Ricky Green, Howard Hacker, Jay Houpt, Sheldon Jafine. Also, Tevan Kaplan, Cheryl Kazdan, Michael Kazdan, Eve Lerner, Ann Levin, Howard Levine, Franklin Miller, Marilyn Namak, Joy Nosov, Stephen Orbst, Jeff Ostofsky, Mitchell Pasternac. Also, Paul Posesorski, Jeffrey Rotin, Anita Shack, Lawrence Shack, Randy Snitman, Jay Sonshine, Jeff Toplitsky, Elliot Weiss, Jay Weiss, Stephen Yablo, Sharon Yale, David Zelcer, Karen Zeldin.

RECEIVED BY ISRAELI PRESIDENT. - Israeli President Zalman Shazar (right), greeting Samuel Shainhouse who represented Canada at the recent international conference of Keren Kayemeth held in Jerusalem.

Shainhouse, for the past three years president of the Jewish National Fund in Toronto, has been elected an officer of the national organization.

SEPHARDIM

The Magen David Sephardic Congregation held their Mid-Season Dance on Saturday, July 25, at the Banquet Hall of the Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst Street.

The special attraction for the evening was a round trip to Israel via El Al. Holder of ticket #1697, Mr. David Azoulay of Weston, Ontario was the winner.

The winning ticket was drawn by Mr. Harry Weinstock, Chairman of the Farband LZO, of Toronto.

HEADS ORGANIZATION. - Jacie C. Horwitz, Q.C., prominent Ottawa attorney and a vice president of the Jewish Community Council of Ottawa for the past two years, who has been elected president of the organization at a general meeting held recently. He succeeds the late Michael Greenberg; Jules Loeb is honorary president.

Other officers are: Abraham Palmer, Rudy Appotive, Norman Zagerman, vice presidents; Joseph Ginsberg, treasurer; William Grossman, Sol Sherman, honorary secretaries. Hy Hochberg is executive director.

ACTION FOR GROWTH OF ISRAEL. - Accelerated activity at the deepwater port at Ashdod to provide more wharves and facilities for Israel's growing export trade in Negev minerals. Tankers berthed at Elat unload oil which is pumped to Ashkelon for transshipment to European markets as well as to Haifa and its refinery.

Toronto's Israel Bond delegation to the international conference will participate in the ceremonies marking the beginning of construction of huge new oil refinery at Ashdod on August 23rd.

Aliyah director in Toronto

ENCOURAGED BY NORTH AMERICA YOUTH

by Stephen Barry

Colonel Nachum Golan, veteran Israeli army officer who last year was appointed National Director for North America of the Israel Aliyah Center, said in Toronto last week that he is greatly encouraged by the increasing number of American and Canadian Jews settling in Israel.

Speaking during a two-day visit to the Toronto regional office of the Aliyah Center, during which he conferred with Ontario Regional Director Abraham Shafir, Colonel Golan stated that since the 1967 Six Day War "the rise of feeling for Israel among North American Jewry has made itself felt in the figures which show a steady increase of Aliyah."

Whereas prior to the June 1967 war about 1,500 North American Jews settled in Israel each year, this figure rose to 4,300 in 1968 and to 6,500 last year. Colonel Golan said he was confident that this year's total would be well above 8,000. He based this on statistics received for the first six months of the year which showed that during July alone more than 1,300 persons had left for Israel.

Colonel Golan, who was paying for second visit to Toronto since taking up his post in New York, said he was pleased with the number of Jews from Toronto who were leaving to begin a new life in Israel. These numbers also have greatly increased since 1967. Before then about 90 Jews a year from the Toronto area joined Aliyah. By 1969 this almost had tripled to 250, with the total for this year reliably estimated around the 400 mark.

He went on to say how the age groupings of those choosing Aliyah had changed during the past few years. At present the majority of those applying for Aliyah are between the ages of 25 and 38, have young families and are professionals whose skills are much in demand in Israel. They include engineers, computer programers, teachers, social workers, doctors and university lecturers. Those of retirement age and over comprise only about five per cent of the total.

Colonel Golan touched on the subject of young people when he claimed that a possible reason for the increase in Aliyah was the generally 'unsettled' feeling among parents in the United States who felt that they were not living in the "right atmosphere for their children to be brought up in." He pointed out that problems encountered in North America, such as the use of the drugs and excessive violence, did not occur in Israel because "young people there have better things to do with their time, have a goal in life and have no time for nonsense." He thought young Israelis, both boys and girls, more mature than their North American counterparts because military service hastened this maturity.

Nachum Golan

Stating some of the practical aspects of Aliyah, Colonel Golan said the Israeli Government gave travel assistance in the form of interest-free loans and provided mortgages for newly arrived immigrants who wished to purchase private apartments. He stated that new arrivals did not begin to pay the full rate of Israeli income tax for three years and that free high school tuition was available for the first four years to children of immigrants.

(There are 12 regional offices of the Israel Aliyah across North America, including two in Canada - Toronto and Montreal -- and a new office which was opened earlier last month in St. Louis, Missouri. Services available without charge at these centers include job placement, professional help housing, education, retirement, shipping and travel arrangements.)

Stressing that Israel must have more people so that it can bolster its economy and thus withstand pressure from outside forces, Colonel Golan said it was remarkable that, despite the often reported dangers of living in Israel at this time in its history, increasingly more people were arriving each month. Actually, he said, "I found it safer living in Jerusalem than I do in New York," referring to the enormous crime rate in that city.

How does the future look regarding Aliyah from North America? Colonel Golan pointed out that almost 45 percent of world Jewry live on this continent and that the climate for Aliyah here is very good.

"Israel," he said, "needs you, as much as you need Israel. We are ready for you if you are ready for us."

Torontonians designated

WILL REPRESENT COMMUNITY AT JERUSALEM CONFERENCE

Israel is preparing to welcome an historic ingathering of 500 Jewish leaders from around the world who will be in Jerusalem to inaugurate the third decade of State of Israel Bonds at an extraordinary, economic conference taking place from August 13th through the 23rd. In keeping with the outstanding position held by Toronto as one of the world's top communities for Israel Bonds, on a per capita basis, the delegation from this community includes many of the veteran leaders and most active supporters who will play important roles in the conference deliberations over the intensive ten-day period.

Attesting to the exceptional importance placed by Israel's government on the role played by Israel Bonds on the country's behalf, all of the foremost political, military and economic leaders of the nation will take part in the conference program to help map Israel's future economic strategy. Included among those who will be direct participants are: President Zalman Shazar; Prime Minister Golda Meir; Foreign Minister Abba Eban; Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon; Finance Minister Pinchas Sapir; Defense Minister Moshe Dayan; Former Prime Minister David Ben Gurion; Chief of Staff Haim Bar-Lev; Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem; other dignitaries.

On the final day of the conference, the delegates will meet at the seaport of Ashdod to participate in a groundbreaking ceremony which officially will mark the beginning of construction of a new oil refinery to be built with the aid of Israel Bond funds. The 163-mile pipeline bringing the oil from Elat to Ashkelon cost a total of $136 million and took eighteen months to complete; it was constructed in major part with Israel Bond allocations.

The inauguration of construction work on the new oil refinery will serve as a dramatic example of the center role of Israel Bonds in the future development of the country's economy.

Members of Toronto's impressive delegation to the 1970 International Israel Bond Conference in Israel include: D. Lou Harris, national chairman, State of Israel Bonds of Canada; Mrs. Samuel J. Zacks, Women's Division chairman; Harry Frank, chairman of the Executive Committee; Mrs. Morris Zweig, hon. chairman, Women's Division; Dr. Norman W. Shaul, cochairman, Congregational Committee; Nathan Arback, cochairman, Congregational Committee; Hank Greenberg, chairman of Fraternal Organizations Division and overall Israel Bond chairman for Toronto Regional Council of B'nai B'rith; Ben A. Himel, trustee; Jack Buckman; Daniel Zultek; Arthur Weinstock, trustee; Wolfe Lebovic; Mrs. Sylvia Shawn; Albert I. Lipton, executive director, State of Israel Bonds of Toronto.

Festival

Haifa, (JCNS). - More than 200 Jewish youth from ten countries and 60 Israelis, attended the opening of the first International Festival of Jewish Youth at Kfar Galim Agricultural School last week. Boys and girls aged between 15 and 17 came from Scandinavia, Holland, Ireland, US, Canada, Italy, France and South America. The festival will last three weeks.

The overall aim of the gathering is to give Jewish youth a chance to meet each other and their Israeli counterparts, and to help to turn them from tourists into immigrants.

A number of lectures and discussions on Jewish education, Israel, the problems of Israel, Arabs, security and the future of Jewish youth in the world, as well as sports competitions, will take place. The delegates will also tour the country.

The sponsors of the festival are the Haifa Municipality, the Minister of Education, the Jewish Agency, the Jewish Welfare Board in the US and the four national sports organizations.

I.W. AUFGANG

Isaac W. Aufgang, active in the Toronto Orthodox Jewish community and founder of Aufgang Travel Bureau, succumbed last Friday morning to a heart attack at the age of 68.

Mr. Aufgang was active in the Mizrachi Movement and held other religious affiliations.

Besides his widow, he is survived by a daughter and a son, and several grandchildren.

TO OBSERVE TISHA B'AV

The Canada-Israel Committee, comprised of the Federated Zionist Organization of Canada, CJC and B'nai B'rith, is sponsoring a meeting this Sunday commemorating Tisha B'Av at Toronto's Associated Hebrew Schools Auditorium, 8:30 p.m. Theme: the danger to world peace by Russian involvement in the Middle East and the need for Canadian Jewry to join in an effort to oust Russia from the area.

Meantime plans are being made to go that day to Ottawa in a mass protest rally which will take place beside the Soviet Embassy. A meeting is hoped to be arranged with Prime Minister Trudeau or Mitchell Sharp.

VISITORS LOVE JERUSALEM

Jerusalem. - The average stay of tourists in Jerusalem has increased from two or three days to five or six days, according to Israel Minister of Tourism, Moshe Kol. Kol, speaking at a recent meeting of the Jerusalem Skal Club, announced that 780 new hotel rooms would be completed in Jerusalem this year. An additional 2,000 Jerusalem hotel rooms are now in various stages of planning, including the 400 room Hilton which will break ground this year.

A number of small pension-hotels are also planned which should meet Jerusalem's need in this category. The additional hotel rooms are expected to increase Jerusalem's income from the tourist industry.

A special committee headed by Ministry of Tourism, Assistant Director General, Mr. I. Zuriel will concern itself with long-range plans for Jerusalem hotel construction according to the needs of the 1970s.

MORE TOURISTS THAN EVER

Israel tourism officials have been reporting an exceptional increase in tourism. 37,000 tourists arrived in the country in the first two weeks of July. More than 232,000 tourists have visited Israel since January.

Overall tourism to Israel has increased 11.2% over 1969. Tourism from Canada has shown a 26% increase over the same period last year.

Israel tourist officials report a strong interest in travel this winter when the low air fares go into effect and are urging early bookings for those planning to take advantage of the off-season rates.

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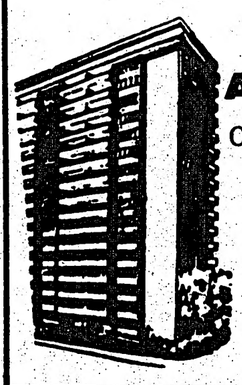

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Peace or peacekeeping force?

CANADA ROLE

The Canadian Government let it be known officially it is ready to contribute military personnel to a new United Nations Force to keep apart Arabs and Israelis if a new accommodation is reached at the planned Middle East talks.

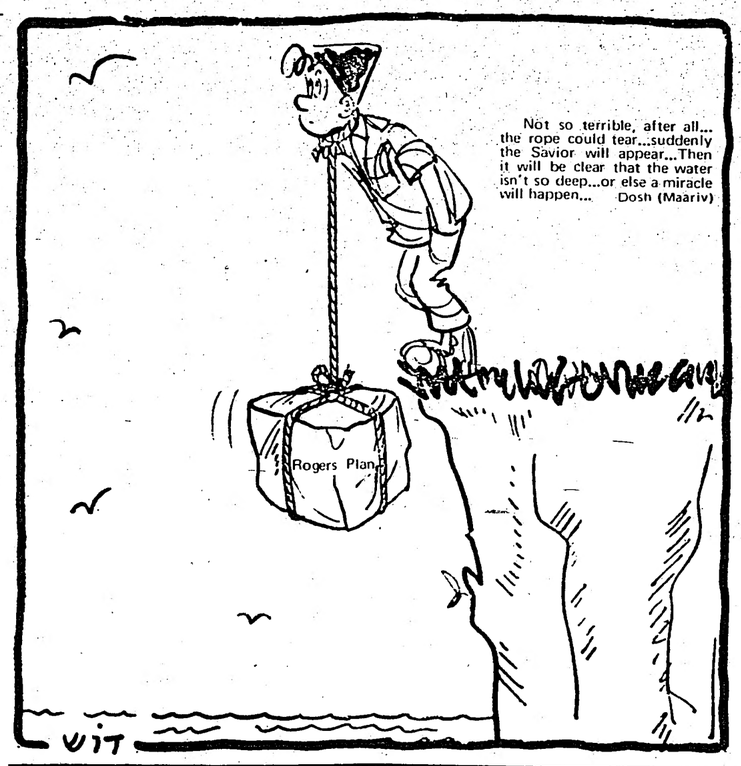
Such a statement reminds us of the UNEF contribution of former Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson who must be credited with this very idea during the Sinai Campaign episode.

The stationing of soldiers without any valid authority must raise some questions. For we necessarily do not ascribe to the belief that Pearson's role at the United Nations during and after the Sinai war was part of his finest hour.

If the present negotiations do not terminate with a peace agreement that would dispense, once and for all, with the necessity of stationing live targets between the opposing parties--if there still be opposing parties shooting at each other at the borders--, the entire Rogers Plan will not be worth the paper written on.

Of course, Canada's role to help mediate between Israel and the Arabs may be important, Also, the fact that until the recent maritime incidents between this country and the USSR some in Ottawa trusted so blindly Moscow's peaceful intentions—may be helpful in the present, delicate stage of negotiations. Still, Canadian officials who believed in rushing with the suggestion of participation in a peacekeeping force have acted prematurely, to say the least.

A peace with a peacekeeping force is no peace.


Not so terrible, after all... the rope could tear...suddenly the Savior will appear...Then it will be clear that the water isn't so deep...or else a miracle will happen... Dosh (Maariv)
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Tisha B'Av theme

by CHAIM RAPHAEL

THE DAY JERUSALEM FELL

Jerusalem, always a city of mixed population, now contained within its walls, in ever-increasing numbers, patriots, rebels, refugees and many other less reputable elements, Jewish and part-Jewish, spoiling for trouble.

It is easy to picture the state of alarm and confusion, so vividly echoed in the Midrash. The "respective" inhabitants, dragged into a revolution against their will, were doing their best at every turn to limit its scope, and were yet forced to assume some kind of active leadership, in order not to be crushed themselves by the turbulent and extremist classes.

For a coherent picture, whether accurate or not, we have to rely on Josephus. According to him the revolt had already thrown up a first-class leader in John of Giscala, who, though resolute in opposition to the Romans, stood a little to the right of the extremist "Zealots" and did not wholly enjoy their confidence.

In Galilee he had fortified and defended his native town of Giscala against the Romans and had abandoned it and escaped by a ruse to Jerusalem only when there was no further hope. Within Jerusalem, and with the fanatical support of his "Galileans", he set out to make himself master of the city.

The Sanhedrin, the priestly and scholarly body which was supposed to be leading the war, had lost the confidence of the masses as soon as the news of Josephus's defeat and treachery had reached Judaea.

The city was soon in the grip of civil war. The Zealots were driven back into the Temple area. But now John, fearing that the moderates, with whom he had certain sympathies, were trying to make terms with the Romans, enlisted the help of the semi-barbarous Idumean hordes to relieve the besieged. The Idumeans ran riot, falling foul both of Zealots and moderates, and in despair the moderates called in Simon bar Giora to defend them against John and against the Idumeans.

Simon, a daring fighter, had gathered round him a band of reckless sicarii. He had done some fighting against the Idumeans and the Romans in the south, and now he invaded the city to add another factor to the violence within.

John had already lost some of his control - his lieutenant, Eleazar b Simon, having broken away from his command and occupied the inner court of the Temple - and thus there were three parties at war within the city.

The actual siege of Jerusalem began in the autumn of CE69. In the spring of 70, Titus took over the command of the Roman troops from his father, Vespasian, who had been proclaimed Emperor by the troops in Palestine and Egypt and had sailed for Rome.

For some time, the dissensions within the city continued, but there was no feeling of despair. The pilgrims had thronged to Jerusalem for the Passover of 69, and even in the spring of 70 visitors came from far and wide to defend the holy city against the Romans. At Passover, John penetrated the Temple area and removed Eleazar B Simon, but Simon and he were still at variance with each other.

Only as the siege became more bitter did they ally themselves, but by that time Jerusalem was without food and had lost its active fighting spirit.

While the rabbinic tradition gives no coherent account of the events immediately preceding the fall of the city, the innumerable detailed stories convey only too well the confusion, violence and anguish of those days.

Our Midrash records, for example, (I, 31), that the Zealots or the sicarii, determined to force the rich citizens to action, had actually fired the warehouses containing the supplies of corn for the siege.

Dramatically, it tells that a leader of the sicarii responsible for this wanton act was actually the nephew of R. Johanan b. Zakkai, head of the Peace Party. Some accounts name this nephew as Ben Batiah and declare that R. Johanan had a very narrow escape from death at his hands when he quietly shook his head in opposition to such terrible political methods (1, 31).

Many are the sad stories told in the Midrash of the siege. At first the inhabitants used to lower baskets of gold to the besiegers and receive in exchange baskets of wheat. Then they received barley in exchange for gold, then straw, and finally nothing (1, 39).

Outside, the Romans used to roast goats, and the ap-

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ASK THE RABBI

a JCNS featurette

Q: Is a rabbi permitted to marry a proselyte?

A: The answer is an unqualified Yes. Even a rabbi of the most extreme wing of Orthodoxy, Amram Blau, leader of the Neturei Karta sect in Jerusalem, recently married a proselyte (albeit despite the disapproval of some of his followers). Boaz married Ruth, the supreme example for the Rabbis of the "righteous proselyte", and King David was descended from these two. A Cohen is not permitted, according to Orthodox law, to marry a proselyte but a rabbi who is not a Cohen is no different from any other Israelite. The rabbi is a teacher, no more and no less. To give him the status of a priest would be contrary to the Jewish tradition. It is true that in one version of a saying of Raba (Berakot 8b, according to another source Rabbi Judah the Prince) he advised his sons not to marry a proselyte, because she does not have "ancestral merit", but this is in no way a legal ruling and is recorded by none of the Codes.

Q: Why is fish not fleishik?

A: The laws forbidding the cooking or eating of mik (milchik) and meat (fleishik) together are based on the thrice-repeated verse: "You shall not boil a kid in its mother's milk" (Exodus 23, 19, etc.). Consequently, the rabbis teach that, since seething a "kid" is mentioned, only the meat of animals falls under the prohibition. Even chicken meat is only forbidden by rabbinic, not Biblical, law, on the grounds that if it were permitted people would tend to confuse it with animal meat and permit the latter. There is no fear of confusing fish with meat in this way and hence fish is not fleishik.

Q: What is the origin and reason for keria?

A: Keria, from kara, "to tear", is the rending of garments on the death of a near relative. The practice is referred to in the Bible, e.g. Jacob rent his garments when he feared that Joseph was dead (Genesis 37, 34) and David did likewise when he heard of Saul's death. The Talmud (Moed Katan 24a) derives the law from the verse: "Let not the hair of your heads go loose neither rend your clothes" (Leviticus 10, 6), said to Aaron and his sons after the death of their relatives, with the implication that normally mourners are to rend their garments. The reason for the practice is clearly in order to give concrete expression to the grief felt at the passing of a dear one. Keria is performed at the death of a father, mother, husband, wife, brother, sister, son or daughter. Keria is nowadays performed in the following way. A small cut is made with a knife by a member of the burial society and the mourner extends it by hand. Keria for parents is performed on the left side of the garment (next to the heart) but for other relatives on the right side.

KEEP SMILING

SAME THING

"Mrs. Cohen," said the psychiatrist, "there is nothing physically wrong with your little boy. But I must tell you this: he has an Oedipus complex."

"Oedipus - shmoedipus!" snorted Mrs. Cohen. "Just so long as he loves his mother!"

NOT ALWAYS ROSY

'A dog's life' is not always enviable, as note the following;

Two cocker spaniels met on the street.

Said one: "Oy, have I got tsorres! I'm heading for a regular nervous breakdown."

"Why don't you consult a psychiatrist?" his pal suggested.

"I can't," moaned the first spaniel. "I'm not allowed on the couch!"

EASY DOES IT

Patient: "Say, what's the matter with you? You just pulled the wrong tooth!"

Dentist: "Don't get excited. I'm coming to it!"

SAME MEANING

A member of the Knesset, well known for his temper and sharp tongue, became so angry one day that he leaped from his chair and shouted, "Half of this Parliament are jackasses!"

There immediately arose shouts of rage, catcalls and demands that he apologize or be ejected from the chamber.

"All right, I take it back," he grumbled. "Half of this Parliament are not jackasses!"

PROUD

"My Sidney went to Las Vegas on business and while there he gambled a little," boasted Mama.

"So what's to be proud?" asked her neighbor. "In Las Vegas nobody wins."

"Listen, my Sidney did fine. He told me himself he went there in a five thousand-dollar Cadillac and came back in a $65 thousand Greyhound!"

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ANTISEMITISM AND THE FRENCH

by J. S. McCLELLAND

The French Right in the period from the Paris Commune to Vichy and beyond was antisemitic almost to a man. The Right was not, as some have claimed, simply a lunatic fringe (it included large sections of the Church, the army, the civil service and the intellectual establishment. Some fringe!).

Remarkable for the intellectual variety of its antisemitic writing, the French Right covered the market from the demand for the quality product to the demand for the cheap, mass-produced article. It included men of the highest intellectual and literary distinction like Maurice Barres and Charles Maurras and men like Edouard Drumont who licked their pencils before they wrote and breathed hard, tongue out, while they were writing.

Drumont made his name with La France Juive (1886), a vicious canard alleging a Jewish take-over of Europe. His newspaper, Libre Parole, was the organ for exposing scandals with an antisemitic potential in the Third Republic. Drumont combined a conspiracy theory of history with a crude, quasi-racialist antisemitism. Jews he believed, were behind everything and were trash anyway. The Franco-Prussian War, for instance, was only superficially the victory of Prussia over France. Both Aryan peoples had been the victims of faked Jews' quarrel got up by international Jewish high finance which needed a war as cover for the alliance between Rothschild and Bleichroeder to plunder France.

TEUTONIC VIRTUES

Unlike many of his allies on the right, Drumont was not interested in revanche. Any war of revenge by France against Germany would be a repeat performance; the Teutons would become the victims of their virtue of soldierly credulity. While they fought, the Jews would loot. Only the Jews could win. Drumont tried to make the Aryans see the common danger within. Jews and Aryans are bound to fight one day, and the sooner the better.

He writes in La France Juive:

"The two races are doomed to come into conflict, because of both their qualities and their shortcomings. The Semite is mercantile, covetous, scheming, subtle and cunning. The Aryan is enthusiastic, heroic, chivalrous, disinterested, frank and trusting to the point of naivety. The Semite is earthbound with scarcely any concern for the life hereafter; the Aryan is a child of heaven who is constantly preoccupied with higher aspirations. One lives in the world of reality, the other in the world of the ideal."

Further on he discusses why it is that Jews "smell and are neurotic, sad sombre, arrogant, sly and restless." It is obvious that Drumont's antisemitism is the antisemitism of the gutter, the kind of Jew-baiting of the Paris mob during the Dreyfus affair, and of such mobs ever since. For Drumont, the Jew is a thing.

There is a world of difference between the coarseness of Drumont's mouthings and the classic French prose of Maurice Barres. If Drumont repelled even his supporters, Barres charmed even his opponents. An antisemite who could always count Jews among his admirers, the high priest of nationalism who came to admire Clemenceau, the hater of Socialism who could write condolingly to Jaures's daughter after Jaures has been shot could not but be an attractive figure.

Some doubted his sincerity and others his wisdom, but all seemed to agree that the man who could become a member of the Academie Francaise at the age of forty-five must be something special. Barres's antisemitism stems from his mystical literary nationalism. It is entirely free from racialism and he never talks the rhetoric of racial hygiene and pseudo-biology. He is quite explicit; the French are not a race but a nation; it is not the Aryans he is defending but the French. French equals good; the nation is the political reality. The Jews are not a nation; they are rootless, cosmopolitan, meteques. They call no place Fatherland:

"Can it be said that I cannot make out a good case for an ethnic character peculiar to a particular race or breed? That is another question. The Jews have no native land in the sense that we understand it. For us, a Fatherland implies the soil, our ancestors, the earth of our dead. For them it is only the place where they find the greatest profits. . .Does it follow that you should call them 'dirty Jews' or the highest aristocracy in the world? You can do what you like, according to your own inclinations and your own circumstances. But do not deny that the Jew is a creature apart." (Scenes et Doctrines du Nationalism, Paris, 1923.)

The Jew is alien, other. Barres may find himself compelled to condemn the good Jew. So be it.

The Jew was Dreyfus. Not Dreyfus the man but Dreyfus the symbol. What was Dreyfus a symbol of? To understand why the obscure artillery captain, Alfred Dreyfus, became a symbol for or against which nearly the whole of France committed herself would require an account of the whole history of the Third Republic. The Dreyfus Affair was about guilt, but only incidentally about Dreyfus's guilt.

In 1894 it was discovered that secret information was being passed to Germany. Alfred Dreyfus was arrested, tried and condemned by secret court martial and sent to Devil's Island. Doubts were raised about whether Dreyfus actually did what he was accused of, but the Dreyfus Case became the Dreyfus Affair only when the question of Dreyfus's guilt was set on one side and the question became one of who was guilty for the progressive political and military decline of France since 1815.

The Right blamed the principles of 1789, Marxism and the Jews. All were foreign to the national spirit. The Right looked for its salvation to the army (in this world) and the church (in this world and in the next world too.)

The corruption of French political life in the Third Republic seemed obvious; scandals became a national political style. They were frequent and spectacular. High finance, the press and politicians all seemed discredited. The Panama Canal Scandal was the most spectacular of the lot. De Lesseps attempted to repeat his Suez triumphs, but the Panama scheme ran into difficulties. Journalists were bribed to hush up the difficulties; deputies were bribed to produce more money.

BLACKMAIL AND SUICIDE

In 1882 the Chamber authorized the issue of lottery lands; the Jewish banker, Reinach, controlled the finances. But a mysterious Jew, Cornelius Hertz, who had an entree into presidential circles, was blackmailing Reinach who paid him off with public money. Reinach killed himself in 1892. To the antisemites brought up on Drumont, the scandal was a godsend. One Jew blackmailing another (did this not show how treacherous they were?); the victim paying his tormentor out of public money (did this now show that the public purse was open to the Jews at will?).

The final sufferers were small bourgeois and peasant investors, the soul of France. International, Jewish financiers were accused of destroying the nation from within. And was not democracy foreign and Jewish too? And Marxism? And had the Jews not welcomed the attacks on the Catholic church in 1789, and had not Gambetta himself, the high priest of anti-clericalism, been a Jew?

In this context of corruption, only the army remained pure; only the army could get back the conquered provinces of Alsace and Lorraine which Germany had taken as the spoils of war in 1870. So when it was discovered that an army officer was passing information to the enemy, implying that the army itself was not free from corruption, the Right had to blame it on Dreyfus the Jew.

If it was the Jew, the foreigner, who was corrupt, then there was still hope for the real France. It did not actually matter whether Dreyfus was the traitor; what did matter was that he had to be. Anything else was tantamount, for the Right, to admitting that France was beyond redemption.

This is what Barres set out to show during the Dreyfus Affair. The Jew is a symbol of the enemies of the old France. Where is that France of la terre et les morts to be found? In those provincial graveyards which exercised so unhealthy an influence on Barres' imagination. Like the guilt or innocence of Captain Dreyfus, this real France does not exist either. The distinction between reality and symbol has broken down completely. Drumont was at least misdescribing something which existed. For Barres it does not finally matter whether things exist at all.

The doyen of French right-wing antisemitic theorists is Charles Maurras. Like Barres he was a member of the Academie; like Petain (also a member) he was purged as a collaborator after the liberation in 1944, but neither was replaced in the Academie during his lifetime (Petain died in 1951, Maurras in 1952). He made his name as an anti-dreyfusard and became the intellectual spokesman of Action Francaise, and the ideologue of Vichy.

The charge brought against Maurras by the liberators was that he had passed information to the enemy by the public denunciation of various individuals, but he was really being charged with a crime against the Republic and everything the Republic stood for.

Maurras defended himself very skillfully on the grounds that the one consistent position in his writings is hatred of Germany. True, he hated many of the things the Nazis hated -- democracy, the Republic, socialism, the Jews and Marxism. But whereas the Nazis claimed that democracy was a foreign import into Germany from Paris and Jerusalem, Maurras claimed that it was a foreign import into France from Germany and Jerusalem. The Nazis claimed that Marxism was Jewish; Maurras agreed, but added that it was German too.

HATRED OF REPUBLIC

Maurras hated the Republic which voted itself out of existence in 1940 in favor of the Marshall. He blamed the French decline from the golden age of Louis XIV on a foreign spirit of turmoil. This restlessness was the cause of the French Revolution, and of the Paris Commune, and of the defeats of 1870 and 1940. Its institutional form is the Republic. Maurras' alternative is a royalist dictatorship. The France of the Republic and of the Jews is too abstract. It requires too much thought:

"We are citizens of a real France. When we talk of France, we refer to the most cherished and beautiful of realities, and not to some abstract idea. . .we mean the soil of France and its varied riches, the blood of France and its subtly blended riches, the traditions of France, the interests of France, the thought and feeling of France. We think of the houses, of the altars, of the tombs where holy remains lie sleeping. That real France, being what she is and needing kingship, belongs by definition, having been what she was, to the kingship of the head of the House of France. He, being who he is, matches this need and these traditions. . .May all cultivated minds recognize the natural ties of blood between great nation and its princely line. . ." (Dictator and King, 1899).

The France of Maurras' vision was smashed by the Revolution of 1789. This was a "Jew-inspired revolt." (Rousseau). Wittenberg (Luther) and more distantly from Jerusalem. The egalitarian principles of the Revolution are simply a cloak behind which a Jewish oligarchy operates. Like Spengler, Maurras believes that democracy is "the paradise of which crooked financiers dream."

For Maurras, the Jew is not a specific person or set of people; the Jew is not even a specific thing, as he is for Drumont. The Jew is an ideogram for the doctrines, attitudes and sensibilities which he hates. Like the antisemitic mayor of Vienna, Dr. Karl Lueger, he decides who is the Jew and what is Jewish. Liberty and democracy are Jewish; corrupt finance is Jewish; the Rights of Man are Jewish; all that tends to break down national differences is Jewish; all that threatens the France of his fantasy is Jewish.

letters to the Editor

RUSSIANS

Dear Editor:

The Canada-Israel Committee comprised of the FZOC, the Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith, is sponsoring a meeting on Sunday, August 9th, to bring to the Jewish Community a clearer realization of the fact that the disasters commemorated on Tisha B'Av again threaten the Jews and that we must be aroused to the dangers which Israel and the Jewish People face.

The theme of this meeting will be the danger to the world peace which Russian involvement in the Middle East presents and the need for Canadian Jewry to join in a massive effort to get Russia out of this area. And, of course, no consideration of Russia's position can be detached from the peril in which Russian Jewry finds itself. The solemn mood of Tisha B'Av is deepened by our knowledge that Israel and the "Jews of Silence" in many countries of Eastern Europe are facing critical dangers. We hope that we may through our August 9th meeting emphasize to our community that we have a responsibility to do what we can to avert these dangers.

Place: Associated Hebrew Schools Auditorium, Bathurst and Neptune Streets; Time: 8:30 p.m. Sunday, August 9th, 1970.

JULIUS HAYMAN
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SERMON FOR THE WEEK

WORDS THAT STING

These are the words which Moses spoke to all Israel . . (Deuteronomy 1:1).

The Book of Deuteronomy contains Moses's words of farewell, in which he recalls the murmurings, the waywardness, and the rebellion of the Children of Israel. To the question: "Is it proper for a leader to take his farewell by admonishing and scolding his people?" our sages have answered: "Do not read *Eleh hadvarim*, 'These are the *words* which Moses spoke,' but *Eleh hadvorim*, 'These are the *bees*.' Why bees? Because when a bee stings, it suffers pain and dies."

So it was with Moses. He dearly loved his people and for their sake gave up his comforts and promising future in the palace of Pharaoh. For forty years he had led his people and now, when his end was approaching, he assembled them to hear his farewell message. He did not want to scold or rebuke them, but he had to do so because of their backsliding in worshiping the golden calf and in view of their other moral and religious transgressions. His words were like the stings of bees, and they brought him great pain. His anguish was so great that, soon after his farewell address, he died. Like the bees he had given vent to stinging words and when the sting was delivered, his life ended.

This is often the lot of leaders who must suffer because there is need to criticize and reprove, especially when people in general are indifferent and even antagonistic to the spiritual vision these leaders alone can see.

FROM HEAVEN ON YOUR HEAD, by Dr. S.Z. Kahana, adapted by Rabbi Morris Silverman. By arrangement with Hartmore House, Hartmore House, Hartford, Conn.

BOOKS OF THE WEEK

by Dr. Arnold Ages

THE RED PARADISE BEYOND

THE JEWS IN SOVIET RUSSIA SINCE 1917. Edited by Lionel Kochan. Oxford University Press. 357 pp.

Much of the material available on the condition of the Jews in Russia suffers from a lack of sound scholarship.

A work admirably suited to fill that gap is the current anthology of essays and papers edited by Mr. Kochan.

His volume contains among other things a perceptive introduction by Leonard Schapiro, one of Anglo-Jewry's outstanding kremlinologists who surveys the historical relationship between the Jews and Russian society.

Fifteen other contributions, all written by acknowledged scholars in Russian studies, deal with subjects ranging from the Biro-Bidzhan Project to Jewish themes in Soviet literature.

An especially fascinating piece is Bernard Weinryb's "Antisemitism in Soviet Russia."

The author brings out the anomalous situation of the Russian Jews both during the Czarist epoch and the subsequent communist period.

Under the Czars, Jews were persecuted by the peasants because they were Jews.

Under the Communists, Jews were persecuted by the peasants because they believed that all Jews were Communists.

Weinryb reveals that the Communist party archives of the Smolensk region (the only such documents to fall into western hands) "tell of peasants in the region who grumbled about the communist regime because it supposedly made them dependent on the Jewish bourgeoisie."

"When in the same year (1922)," Weinryb continues, "a government commission arrived to collect gold from the churches, people threatened that if the gold were taken by force "not one Jew will survive, we'll kill them all during the night."

Maurice Friedberg's "Jewish Themes in Soviet Russian Literature," reveals some very significant information about the image of the Jew in the post-revolutionary period.

Like many authors in the Western world, some of the best Soviet Jewish writers have completely blotted out any Jewish images, themes or motifs in their writings.

This was not the case, however, with the talented Ilya Ehrenburg, a paradoxical figure who managed to live through all the turmoil of the purges and Doctors Plot and still remain a Jew, at least ethnically.

The ravages of the Second World War and the distinctly Jewish suffering which it entailed is a theme which has produced a powerful controversy in Soviet society.

"On the whole," writes Friedberg, "Soviet writers of Jewish origin appear to stifle within them what cannot but be a powerful urge to raise an outcry of pain about an event that must have affected most of them personally; one senses that 'they are stepping on the throats of their own song', as the great Soviet poet Mayakovsky once put it."

An illustration of the problem is seen in the Babi Yar episode. When Yevtushenko's poem appeared (a really conventional Orthodox Communist view of antisemitism) the young Russian poet was severely criticized for having singled out the Jews. All Russians suffered in the war not only the Jews, he was told.

Among those who joined the critical chorus was Anatoli Kutznezov, now domiciled in London. His book on Babi Yar took the line that the Jews were only part of the population that suffered under the German invasion.

After his defection from the Soviet Union in 1969, Kutznezov was asked about that controversy over Babi Yar and he replied that his authentic version never was published. A new edition of the book now is being awaited in London and it will be interesting to see what new perspectives he places the poor Jews of Babi Yar.

The last essay in this volume is entitled "After the Six Day War," and it is a sober analysis of the reactions among Russians to Israel's 1967 victory.

There is a distinction made between the Russian man in the street, who appears to have had some genuine support for Israel's actions, and the Russian Government that reacted with precitable bitterness and acrimony.

The author, Zev Katz, presents an interesting appendix providing specimens of Russian propaganda after the Six Day War -- a clear illustration of the Nazilike stereotypes now being used by Russians in their smear campaigns against Israel.

A DOUBLE HIT. - Commencing this coming Monday, for one week, Toronto's O'Keefe Center will present Henry Mancini (left), famous orchestra leader, and sparkling Johnny Mathis, plus a forty-piece orchestra. Sounds like aisle-dancing!

TORONTO AFTER DARK

DOUBLE ENTERTAINMENT

This coming Monday, August 10th, O'Keefe Center will present for one week a double treat: Henry Mancini, well known orchestra leader, and the fabulous Johnny Mathis. With the addition of a forty-piece orchestra, there will be plenty of music.

UNUSUAL CONTEST

Next Monday a cocktail waitress from each of the major establishments in the city will gather in the Hook and Ladder Club of the Seaway Beverly Hills Motor Hotel to compete in the Bunny Princess of the Year contest.

Judging will be based on poise, grooming and beauty. "Experts" are John Barton of CHFI, Elwood Glover of CBC, Bill Deegan of CFRB, Dave Raimey of the Toronto Argonauts, others.

Pat Galo, current attraction in the Hook and Ladder Club at that time, will serve as M.C.

SUSPENSE THRILLER

From August 11th through 16th, the Red Barn Theater in Jackson's Point will present a revival of Patrick Hamilton's classic suspense thriller, Hope. Hitchcock in the late 'forties made a film based on the play with a contemporary setting. For the Red Barn production, the script has been updated to a Toronto 1970 location.

Directed by William Glassco, Hope stars David Hemblen, Geoffrey Saville-Read, Steven Whistance - Smith. Others in the cast: Robin Cameron; George Hughes; Christopher Conningham; Rae Dwosh.

BEETHOVEN AT ISRAELI FESTIVAL

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - Israel's tenth annual festival of music and drama opened at the Binyanei Ha'ooma here with Beethoven's Choral Symphony.

The solo parts were sung by Richard Tucker, the Jewish tenor at the Metropolitan Opera House of New York, Margaret Price, soprano, Victor Conrad Braun, and Maureen Guy, with the Zamir Choir of New York reinforcing the Tel Aviv Philharmonic Choir and the Israeli Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Zubin Mehta.

President Shazar, Mrs. Meir, Mr. Teddy Kollek, the Mayor of Jerusalem, Cabinet Ministers, Members of the Knesset and other distinguished personalities attended.

This year's festival features among others, Daniel Barenboim, the pianist, in a number of Beethoven's sonatas and the Ballet Rambert. It will include performances of Mahler's Ninth Symphony and Handel's Jephtha.

The festival will last a month.

the lively arts

THEATRE MUSIC FILM

by D. COHN

* Yehudi Menuhin and his sister, pianist Hepzibah Menuhin, are touring Australia. Next week they will appear together with the Bath Festival Chamber Orchestra at the Melbourne Town Hall. They also will give a series of concerts in a number of Australian cities.

* Abe Burrows' comedy, Four on a Garden, will return to Broadway in the fall, starring Carol Channing. Burrows also will direct the show.

Said Miss Channing, "Abe and I have been friends for a long time and we have been talking about the comedy for over a year."

She was attracted to the venture "because of Abe and because of the challenge of playing four parts -- and, also, where else can I work with a playwright-director?"

The new comedy will be sponsored by David Merrick, producer of Miss Channing's last Broadway show, "Hello, Dolly!"

The farce is a hit in Paris. It is in four segments and will be played in two acts. Burrows is reluctant to describe his latest work, except to say that it involves "various treatments of a garden apartment." Oliver Smith will handle the scenic design.

Four on a Garden continues an association between Burrows and Merrick, who worked on Forty Carats, and, Cactus Flower.

* Sidney Lumet will direct the film version of, The Anderson Tapes, which has been adapted by Frank R. Pierson from the novel by Lawrence Sanders. Sean Connery, Dyan Cannon and Martin Balsam will head the cast. Connery will portray the mastermind of a million-dollar robbery of an East Side apartment house. The film will be produced by Robert H. Weitman for Columbia Pictures.

* CATCH-22 really has caught on. In Toronto it plays to capacity-filled audiences. Montreal broke all records for a single or five-day period in the theater's history.

* About 250 nationwide fashion editors got together recently in New York to catch a special screening of Barbra Streisand's On A Clear Day You Can See Forever. The picture's contemporary wardrobe was by Montrealer Arnold Scaasi, with Cecil Beaton doing the period threads.

* Otto Preminger not only is interested in directing but is also setting up, in company with Frank Sinatra, his own film distributing outlet.

The two also have joined forces after a 15-year interval to coproduce the film version of Where the Dark Streets Go, novel by Dorothy Salisbury Davis. They last cooperated in 1955 to make the controversial but successful The Man With the Golden Arm. Preminger produced and directed the film and Sinatra portrayed the Chicago narcotics addict and gambler of the title.

"We've wanted to work together ever since The Man With the Golden Arm," said Preminger, "but we couldn't until this property came up."

* Bill Solly is a happy man for he is doing what he wants to do in the place he likes to do it: he is a songwriter and he lives in London. He wrote the music and lyrics for a current West End hit and is at work on a new musical.

Solly is a successful songwriter at a time when lyric writing generally is in a state of disrepute. "It's been discredited lately; the words just don't seem to be as important now; it seems to be more a matter of sensation now than the art of lyric writing," he says.

Solly has written material for Danny LaRue, Maurice Chevalier, Petula Clark, Brigitte Bardot, Robert Goulet, Roy Hudd, Leslie Crowther, Ronnie Corbett, Dusty Springfield, Libby Morris.

With close relatives in Canada, he goes home often. Having graduated in English literature from McMaster University, he taught at the University of British Columbia for awhile, toyed with the idea of doing a thesis on the history of musical comedy, gave it up to work in England.

Solly plans to write a good songwriter's dictionary: "It's badly needed."

* The full correspondence between Dr. Sigmund Freud and Dr. Carl G. Jung -- his most famous pupil and eventually his fiercest opponent -- will be published as the result of an agreement between their sons to lift a sixty-year embargo on the letters.

The correspondence, which will be published late next year, ranges from 1906 through 1913 and sheds important new light on the personal and professional relationship of the two giants of analytic psychology.

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2:30 p.m.	High Park The 48th Highlanders Military Band Guest - Peter Glen
2:30 p.m.	Kew Gardens Ellis McLintock & His Orchestra
2:30 p.m.	Willowvale Park Eddy Graf & His Orchestra
5:30 p.m.	High Park Organ Recital - Ronnie Padgett
7:30 p.m.	Earlscourt Park The Johnny Lombardi Show

MONDAY, AUGUST 10th

8:30 p.m.	Ramsden Park Square Dancing - Bob Scott & His Orchestra
8:30 p.m.	Greenwood Park Angus McKinnon Presents "The Road to the Isles"

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11th

8:00 p.m.	Allan Gardens The 48th Highlanders Military Band
8:30 p.m.	Withrow Park Square Dancing - Bob Scott & His Orchestra

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12th

12:15 p.m.	Nathan Phillips Square Eddy Graf & His Orchestra
7:15 p.m.	Earlscourt Park Children's Theatre Presents - "Cinderella"
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8:30 p.m.	Eglinton Park Pat Riccio & His Orchestra
8:30 p.m.	Riverdale Park The Good, The Bad and The Ugly with Allan McRae

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13th

7:30 p.m.	Forest Hill Memorial Park Murray Ginsberg & His Orchestra
8:00 p.m.	Nathan Phillips Square The Johnny Lombardi Show
8:30 p.m.	High Park Square Dancing - Bob Scott & His Orchestra
8:30 p.m.	Kew Gardens Square Dancing - Al Aylward & His Orchestra

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16th

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REVOLT OF THE NURSES

by C. Alpert

Haifa - The nationwide strike by nurses earlier this summer was a terrifying experience. It was not a pretty situation, as hundreds of nurses, for days on end, refused to attend the needs of their patients in the various hospitals, as a means of pressing for economic improvement in their own status. Yet surprisingly, the nurses enjoyed a considerable measure of public support and good will. While not condoning the apparently immoral actions of the nurses, the public understood their plea that nurses' salaries and working conditions were SO bad that the profession was going to pieces. Old nurses were leaving; new ones were not joining -- and the health services of the state were in grave danger of collapse unless immediate steps were taken to make the practice of nursing more attractive. They struck, then, for the benefit of ultimate better care for their patients.

The fact that they had been quiet, patient, docile and disciplined all these years, given the run-around while other workers obtained benefits, added to their claim for public good will.

The action of the nurses was but one symptom of a general malaise, and but one manifestation of what will undoubtedly become a major series of moves within the next month or two. Rising in revolt, as they do every once in a while in this land of socialist equality, will be what for want of better terms may be called the professionals, the academicians or the intellectuals of society. Once again the Israel university graduate is up in arms at the steady deterioration of his economic position.

The Histadrut, Israel's Federation of Labor, has been struggling valiantly to hold the line. The various associations of university teachers are not in the Histadrut. The high school teachers' association quit the Histadrut a few years ago. More professionals may follow as they see Histadrut leadership catering to the working classes at the expense, the professionals claim, of their own status. Every rise in prices, and every increase in labor wages, reduces the gap between laborer and professional and puts increasing pressure on the latter. Unease and dissatisfaction are now rapidly reaching a boiling point.

Doctors, teachers, lawyers, professors, engineers, nurses, chemists, judges, social workers are but a few of the classifications who find common cause. It is estimated there are about 60,000 academically trained persons working in Israel today, and the number is increasing rapidly as the colleges produce more Bachelor, Master and Doctor recipients each year.

Unfortunately, the government and labor leadership of the country has contributed over the past two decades to the creation of a unique Israel time-bomb -- a built-in set-up which provides for almost automatic economic dislocation in time of stress. The salary scale of one profession is very frequently linked contractually to the scale of another profession, which is linked to still another, so that if a raise or improvement is somehow obtained by one group, it triggers off a chain reaction. Like a row of standing dominoes, they all go over -- and that is what is about to happen in Israel.

The intensity of the nurses' strike was but a preview of what is in store. The crisis has been delayed, but it will undoubtedly flare forth in full fury in the early fall -- unless in the meantime the Egyptians and the Syrians launch a furious attack of their own on the northern and southern fronts. Under such circumstances, internal problems will be put aside -- temporarily.

SABBATH MICROPHONES

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - Rabbi Isser J. Unterman, the Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi of Israel, has sanctioned the use of a microphone to carry the voice of the preacher in synagogues on the Sabbath in particular circumstances and under rigidly defined conditions, he told the JCNS correspondent here.

The Chief Rabbi said he had been approached a few months ago by the rabbi of the Green and Sea Point Hebrew Congregation in Cape Town, who asked whether it was permitted to use an electrical amplifying system on the Sabbath in his large synagogue.

Rabbi Unterman consulted Professor William Zeev Low, a prominent physicist and observant Jew who is head of the microwave division at the Hebrew University and conducts an institute in Jerusalem for the study of halacha and science.

Professor Low, an Israel Prizewinner among other honors, probed the question and came up with a transistorised amplifying system which can operate without the speaker performing such creative work as is forbidden on the Sabbath.

Rabbi Unterman said he accepted the solution and sanctioned its use at the Cape Town synagogue on condition that the wiring and equipment are installed strictly in accordance with Professor Low's detailed plan, that the control panel is locked up with the key in the sole possession of the rabbi -- not even the beadle, Rabbi Unterman stressed -- and that it is switched on before the Sabbath.

These conditions were accepted and the Green and Sea Point congregants can now hear their rabbi preach without his having to strain his voice.

A short while ago a similar request came from Rabbi Silver, of the Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Orthodox congregation. Again Professor Low designed a system, and it was handed to Rabbi Silver with the same explicit instructions.

Rabbi Unterman told the JCNS correspondent emphatically that he had not issued a general authorization for microphones in synagogues but had approved a specific system under specific conditions. He is prepared to consider requests from other congregations.

He also said that when he was in South Africa some time ago he was invited to preach one Sabbath at a synagogue there which he would not name. Mounting the pulpit, he noticed on the lecturn a tiny brass plate with an opening in it which aroused his suspicions.

He asked the beadle to bring him his top hat, with which he then covered the offending orifice and proceeded with his sermon.

But then, Rabbi Unterman, despite his advanced years, is blessed with a loud, resonant voice.

HOME FREEZING

by Evelyn Rose

* MEAT, once koshered, can be stored in the freezer for as long as required. An additional bonus: roasts, grills and chops come out of the freezer more tender than they went in.

For quicker thawing, freeze raw mincemeat in 1 lb portions; freeze homemade mince patties individually wrapped in film or foil.

Defrost all meat in the refrigerator rather than the kitchen. It's safer that way, particularly in summer. Allow 6 hours of defrosting time to the pound.

* CHICKEN can be frozen raw, boiled, roasted or en casserole. Chicken livers can be frozen raw, then koshered as required.

* FISH. Don't freeze raw fish unless it's less than 24 hours old. Salmon, gutted and beheaded freezes well; so does chopped fish, whether in raw patties, in jelly or fried.

Recrisp chopped fried fish by heating from frozen state in a moderate oven (it takes about 20 minutes). Serve warm or cold but on the same day.

* CASSEROLES. Cook for half an hour less than usual, for the cooking process continues during reheating.

* PASTRY. Shortcrust and puff pastry freeze well for up to six months. For convenience sake, store pastry in raw, ready-cut rounds, separated with silver foil. Five minutes defrosting will make them soft enough to shape into the top and bottom of a pie dish or flan ring. Tests have shown that pastry tastes best if frozen raw and baked as required, though I often freeze a baked fruit pie for convenience.

*SAUCES thicken in the freezer but do not deteriorate in flavor if used within two months. The same goes for vegetable purees of potato, carrot, mushroom and pea which are to be used as the basis for a soup. For any pasta dish, make the sauce a little thinner than usual.

* COLD SOUFFLES such as lemon or raspberry will freeze without collapsing when they are thawed. Chocolate mousse can be served half-frozen as a pareve ice-cream. Chilled and baked cheesecake freezes to perfection.

* FRUIT can be frozen as a sweetened puree or whole in sugar. To freeze soft fruit, first freeze unwrapped on trays, then mix with 4 oz. sugar to the pound and bag as required. (This stops the crushing of the fruit.)

HUMAN RELATIONS

PONIES AND PLATITUDES

DR. ROSE N. FRANZBLAU

QUESTION: We are married 18 years and have two children, 15 and 11. Some time ago, I discovered my husband bet on horses and was in debt to finance companies.

On his promise to change, I paid off his loans. Recently, I discovered he was in debt for a large amount. He admitted he had been gambling again.

He left us a letter saying that he is leaving, that I should sell the business and pay back everyone in the family. (His parents had lent us the money to buy the business.) I called and told them everything. His father gave a large sum again. My husband returned, broke down and promised "never again." His parents (in their 70s) used their savings this time to pay off the finance companies.

I have told him, definitely, that if he strays again, it will be the end. He promises he won't. I still feel I have to keep tabs on him. He always liked having money in his pocket, and living high.

His father, when younger, "talked big" all the time. This must have rubbed off on my husband.

I stopped working. I feel my children have suffered.

ANSWER: In chronic gambling the person is constantly testing the fates to see if he will be given the special consideration he feels is his due.

"Fate" is often a screen figure for the father who was never giving enough, and gambling is the adult form of rebellion against this father-figure. Subconsciously, the hope is that in the activity of gambling, he will at last become a continuous and consistent winner over the father.

Too, gamblers always look to "Lady Luck" to be on their side, to shower them with good fortune. This is a continuation of the early pattern of rivalry with the father for the mother's attention and affection. In the background of the gambler, it was usually the mother who pleaded with the father for greater understanding and acceptance of the youngster's behavior. When the father meted out harsh and inappropriate punishment, it showed what a mean person he was, and how loving and good the mother was, by contrast.

This sets up a situation where, the male child, in competing with his father, is always gambling for his mother's love. Gambling with money is only a continuation of this emotional pattern, where he hopes to win, but knows, deep down, that he will always lose.

The woman such a man chooses as his wife, is often very much like his mother. She treats him like a naughty child who is threatened and punished at times, but then is always taken back into her loving arms and forgiven.

The fact that the gambler always has to talk like a "bigshot," and take big chances, shows how poor he feels emotionally.

At the time when your husband promises that he will never gamble again, he really means it. When the impluse arises again, he will gamble, and this time rationalize that he is only doing so to win in order to repay his parents.

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"Gamblers Anonymous," which does a very good job in this area, works with both marriage partners. They have sessions for their wives alone, and then for the husbands and wives together. Psychologically, when they each admit that they have a problem and that perhaps they contributed to the problem of the other, the door is opened for a ventilation of their conflicts and fears. Once these are cleared up, they can then admit and credit themselves with some of the good qualities they have, and some of the good things they do. Working together in this way, the couple achieve a new closeness, mutual respect and appreciation of each other, such as they never had before.

When you tell your husband that you will go along with him to Gamblers Anonymous because you can benefit from it too, then he will not see in the suggestion that he join an expression of lack of faith in him, or a new kind of punishment.

To wait until he gets into trouble again, and then to punish him, is really to gamble with your marriage.

Remedies

by Ruthie

Nowadays being sick is nothing and getting well is still less. What with all the "mycins" on the market, you can be dying one day and when your friends visit you the next, you're practically well and about. A wonderful thing it is too.

I remember when one had diphtheria, it was a ness (miracle) if he didn't succumb. Then it took months to convalesce. Today, thanks to our wonder drugs, this disease is virtually extinct.

However, like the proverbial good, old slipper, we still fall back upon a few basic standbys. One is the aspirin. If you have a toothache, take aspirin; a headache, take aspirin; an eye infection, take aspirin; fever, take aspirin. I came across an item recommending aspirin to get rid of kidney gravel.

Some of the old time remedies are lulus. Whoever heard of penicillin when we were kids? If any of us came down with a head cold or sore throat, the first thing mama did was, of course, to get us into bed. Then she shut all the windows for fear we'd be in a draught (never mind that we needed fresh air). This routine was followed by the cure to end all cures. She stuffed a stocking with hot salt and, midst our screams of distress, wound it tightly around our necks. Somehow the heat plus the salt was supposed to penetrate and draw out whatever it was that was causing the pain.

Needless to say, we made quite a production of this. In the end, though, mama invariably won. In no uncertain terms she warned us she'd break all our fingers if we dared try to remove that collar. To think medieval torture was bad!

But this didn't end mama's homemade remedies. All day long she alternated between tea with bogs of honey and hot milk with melted butter swimming on top. Ugh!

After awhile we didn't mind. Our friends visited us and gave us the sympathy we deserved. It became so, we looked forward to being sick — all the company, all the presents..

Another cure-all was bonkiss (cups). These looked like eye-cups which one found at the barber's. They were reserved as a last measure for an almost hopeless case. Stuck hot upon an aching back, they either cured or killed.

Those are things for which I have no nostalgic feeling.

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IN SMASH HIT. - The cast of the smash hit musical, Touch Kiss, now playing at Toronto's Playhouse Theater. Above are: (top row from left Sandy Caprin, Terry Harris, Barbra Niles; (center row) Eddie Silas, Brian McKay, Babe Reznikoff, Victor Garber; (bottom row) Susan McAneny, Lloyd Bremseth, Gina Fitzhugh; (reclining) Louise Hoven.

Recipe for the week

RICE-SALMON LOAF

1 1-lb. can pink salmon with liquid
2 cups cooked rice
2 tbs. chopped parsley
1 tbls. lemon juice
1 tsp. salt
Dash of cayenne pepper
1/2 tsp. celery salt
3 tbls. melted butter
2 eggs, beaten
1/3 cup buttered bread crumbs.

Preheat the over to 350 degrees.

Break salmon into small pieces. Combine salmon, salmon liquid and all remaining ingredients except buttered bread crumbs. Place in a well greased loaf pan. Sprinkle buttered bread crumbs on top. Bake for 45 minutes. Serve with lemon-butter sauce.

Lemon-Butter Sauce
6 tsp. lemon juice
6 tbls. butter, melted
1/4 tsp. paprika
2 tbls. chopped parsley

Combine all ingredients and mix well. Serve with rice-salmon loaf.

Yield: 6 servings.

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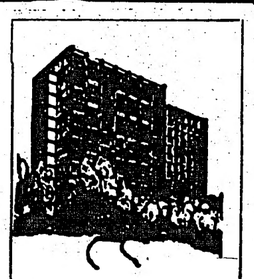

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BULLETINS

BLESSINGS FOR ISRAEL, SHAZAR AND DAYAN AT LENINGRAD SYNAGOGUE

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). - Did the Israeli delegation to the congress of Mayors of Twin Towns in Leningrad suffer humiliation which could have been avoided if they had not pressed their demand for Soviet visas, or was their participation a worthwhile venture, bringing hope to the hearts of Leningrad Jewry?

Opinions differ. The delegation leader, Mr. Oved Ben-Ami, the Mayor of Netanya, said there had been no humiliation whatsoever, but "I would not have hesitated to crawl on my belly to look into their burning eyes, to shake their quivering hands, for the spark of hope we lit in their hearts".

But Tel Aviv's Deputy Mayor, Mr. Eliahu Speiser, took another view. The delegation had been humiliated, he said, by having to wait until the last minute for entry visas and by being allowed only 2-1/2 minutes to address the closing session.

As for the Jews they had met in the synagogue, "the few who dared speak to us were visibly frightened and told us frankly they were taking serious risks. I felt that we were just a nuisance to them and causing them nothing but harm."

UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE

Mr. Ben-Ami, a member of Gahal, the Right-wing alignment of Herut and the Liberal Party, said the visit to the synagogue had been an unforgettable experience. There was tremendous emotion. "We were surrounded by Jews, some of them weeping and wiping their tears on a talit".

Called to the reading of the Law, Mr. Ben-Ami insisted that blessings be recited for Israel's President, Mr. Shazar, as well as for Mrs. Meir, the Premier, and Mr. Dayan, the Defense Minister.

The congregation, he said, stood around the bima and wept. "When I was returning to my seat, I was addressed among others by a Jew, who speaking fluent Hebrew said: 'I may be arrested on leaving the synagogue, but I don't care. We cannot suffer this any more. Tell our brethren in Israel how oppressed and humiliated we are here. Tell them that we shall come to Israel even if we have to walk all the way."

Mr. Ben-Ami said that Soviet official behaviour had been correct. The delegates were free to travel in public transport as they wished and to move around the city as they wanted.

But Mr. Speiser, a member of the Israel Labor Party, said they unlike other delegations, the Israelis were given visas only for Leningrad. When they left, humiliating searches were carried out by customs officers, both of their baggage and their persons.

While Mr. Speiser claimed that "they did everything to humiliate us", Mr. Ben-Ami insisted: "There was no humiliation whatsoever".

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194,000 TOURISTS

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - Tourism this year was running eleven percent above the 1969 figures and four percent above those of 1968 which was a record year, Mr. Moshe Kol, the Minister of Tourism, told the Knesset.

Presenting his Ministry's annual review he said that 194,000 tourists had visited Israel in the first six months of this year. Apart from being inestimable as means of spreading truth about Israel abroad, tourism was the expression of confidence of the whole free world -- Jewish and non-Jewish -- in Israel's progress and power to overcome all difficulties.

Mr. Kol also announced that a Government committee headed by Mr. Jacob Herzog, the head of the Prime Minister's office, had been appointed to draft a program of celebrations for the State's silver jubilee in 1973.

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NAZARETH ARAB PRESIDES AT KNESSET SESSION

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - A non-Jew occupied the Speaker's chair in the Knesset for the first time when a Nazareth Arab, Mr. Seif Edin Zuabi, who is a leader of the Israel Labor Party, presided at a Knesset session.

Mr. Zuabi, a Moslem, was elected one of the House's eight Deputy Speakers last November.

Noting the significance of the occasion, he said he had been given "the privilege of bringing the hearts of Israeli Jews and Arabs together in some measure.

"My main hope is of being able one day to make peace between Israel and the Arab States," he continued. "I have often appealed to the leaders of the Arab States to take their minds off war".

Mr. Seif Edin Zuabi is a cousin of Mr. Abdulaziz Zuabi, whom Mapam wants to appoint deputy Health Minister. Seif Edin, who is hostile to his cousin, has always remained loyal to the Labor Party (and previously Mapai), while Abdulaziz has flirted with Rakah (the pro-Moscow, Arab-dominated) New Communist list.

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FIRST SECRETARY OF BIROBIDJAN COMMUNIST PARTY

London, (JCNS). - The nomination of an obscure Jewish engineer, Mr. Lev Shapiro, as first secretary to the Communist Party in the so-called Jewish Autonomous Region of Birobidjan, is noteworthy from two points of view: it marks a change in Soviet policy vis-a-vis party appointments, and it indicates a tactical swing in the presentation of "the Jewish question" in the Soviet Union by Soviet propaganda, the JCNS correspondent on East European Affairs, reports.

For the first time for about 30 years, a Jew has been appointed to a regional party post. Furthermore, since Mr. Shapiro has not until now featured among the prominent figures of Birobidjan, even in the tri-weekly Yiddish Birobidjaner Shtern, it seems likely that he has been sent there from some other district.

Mr. Shapiro's two Jewish predecessors in his new post -- Khavkin and Bakhmutsky -- paid with their lives for their attempts to lend some Jewish character to Birobidjan.

Khavkin perished in a Soviet labor camp in 1937 during Stalin's purges, while Bakhmutsky, arrested in 1949, vanished without trace in a labor camp in the early 1950s.

There detention was accompanied by mass arrests, which greatly reduced the Jewish population of the region.

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GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN

Buenos Aires, (JCNS). - Mr. David Kaplan, a Jewish journalist living in the city of Cordoba, has been appointed Under-Secretary of the Argentine Ministry of Information and Tourism, a post which means that he will be the Government spokesman.

During the presidency of General Onganiz, which lasted from June 1966 until he was deposed earlier this year and replaced by General Roberto Marcelo Levingston, there has been no Jew in the Argentine Government.

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YOUTH AMONG BRAZILIAN PRISONERS

Rio de Janeiro, (JCNS). - Among the 40 political prisoners released by Brazil last month and sent to Algiers as "ransom" for the West German Ambassador to Brazil who had been kidnapped by Brazilian terrorists, was a 17-year-old Jewish youth, Carlos Mintz-Baumfeld.

The West German diplomat was set free when the 40 released men arrived in Algiers.

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DIMSHITS KEEPS HIS POST IN SOVIET GOVERNMENT

London, (JCNS). - Mr. Benyamin Dimshits has been reappointed Deputy Prime Minister of the USSR, the JCNS Correspondent on East European Affairs reports. Mr. Dimshits is also chairman of the State Committee of the Council of Ministers of the USSR for material and technical supplies.

He is the only Jew in Mr. Alexei Kosygin's new Cabinet, which is substantially the same as before.

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$60M BOOST FOR LYDDA AIRPORT

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). - About $60 million is to be spent on Lydda airport during the coming five years to enable it to accommodate the new Boeing 747 Jumbo jet.

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VESPASIAN COLUMN UNEARTHED

Jerusalem, (JCNS) - A discovery of great importance was revealed here last Wednesday when a spokesman fr the Government's Archaeological Department announced that a column bearing the inscription "Vespasianus Augustus, Imperatur Caesar" had been unearthed during excavations in the vicinity of the Temple Mount.

Vespasian led the Roman attack on Jerusalem which his son Titus continued successfully after his father had become Emperor.

It is presumed that the column was erected between the years 70 to 73 CE to honor Vespasian.

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WINS INTERNATIONAL TORAH CONTEST

Jerusalem, (JCNS) - A 17-year-old boy from Melbourne has won the international essay contest organized by the Torah Department of the World Zionist Organization here.

He is Jonathan S. Wiener and his 6,000-word essay on the relationship between Israel and the Diaspora was selected from more than 300 entries submitted by candidates from various countries.

Jonathan wins a 4 to 6-week conducted tour of Israel plus $250 towards his fare travel from Australia.

A member of Bnei Akiva, he already had planned to spend up to 18 months in Israel after finishing his secondary studies later this year at Melbourne's Mount Scopus College.

Jonathan's father is Dr. Saul Wiener, chairman of the Victorian Council of Orthodox Synagogues.

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DENIES AMMAN REPORT OF HEBRON MOSQUE CONVERSION

Jerusalem, (JCNS) - A spokesman for the Military Government flatly denied last Tuesday Amman accusations that Israel intends to convert the Ibrahimi Mosque, built over the Tombs of the Patriarchs in the Macphela Cave in Hebron, into a synagogue.

A major change in the status of the building had come about following the Six Day War when a previous ban on Jewish entry to the cave had been lifted, the spokesman said. Henceforth the mosque was open to all, and arrangements were made for Jewish and Moslem worshippers to pray undisturbed.

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DAYS OF ISRAELI CAR INDUSTRY MAY BE NUMBERED

Jerusalem, (JCNS) - The days of the Israeli car industry may be numbered if the findings of a top level interdepartmental committee are endorsed by the Ministers concerned: Ezer Weizman, Transport Minister; Joseph Sapir, Minister of Trade and Industry.

According to the committee's report, the human and financial resources involved in the car industry could be employed more usefully elsewhere in the economic field.

The report's main recommendation is that the tax protection afforded until now to locally assembled vehicles should be progressively eased from next January, and that in the next five years locally assembled cars must be subject to the same taxes as those imported.

This would price most of the local vehicles out of te market, according to the firms concerned.

During 1969, four local plants together assembled some 9,500 vehicles, about third of the local demand. They employed more than 1,800 workers and their present plans were to expand this labor force by half wthin the coming five years.

But the committee's view was that the resultant savings of foreign currency (through the sale of more locally assembled cars) would not be worthwhile.

The possibility remains, however, that British Leyland may continue to assemble lorries in Israel.

Other cars assembled here are the Japanese Contessa and the British Triumph.

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FEWER THAN 1,000 JEWS STILL IN LEBANON

London, (JCNS) - Lebanese Jewry, once a thriving community of some 7,000, has dwindled to fewer than 1,000, according to reliable reports reaching London.

Although they have always been well treated by the authorities, Lebanon's Jews have been leaving the country steadily during the past few years. The unstable Middle East situation and the appearance in Beirut of Arab terrorists like Yasir Arafat and George Habash, are the two main reasons for the exodus.

Surprisingly enough, Kemal Jumblatt, the Lebanese Minister of the Interior and one of the country's "strong men", previously considered staunchly pro-Nasser and sympathetic to the far Left, is regarded by the Jews of Lebanon as their friend and protector.

They say that without his bold opposition to the extension of terrorist activity all over the country and the backing he has been giving President Helou, the Jewish community would have suffered from the hostility of the terrorists.

TWO SCHOOLS

There are still two Jewish schools in Lebanon, the Alliance Israelite Universelle and the Tarrab School, each with no more than a few hundred Jewish pupils.

The community's only rabbi is contemplating leaving. The sole remaining shochet also wished to do so but has been persuaded to stay. There is only one kosher butcher and very few Jewish doctors.

In Syria, where more than 4,000 Jews are trapped with no hope of being able to leave, there is still an Alliance school (in Damascus). Conditions are hard for the community there.

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DIGGING ISRAEL

Jerusalem, Israel. - More than 25 archeological excavations will be in operation this summer as the Israel archeological season gets underway. The digs span more than 60,000 years of Holy Land history and range the length and breadth of the Land of the Bible.

The most famous of the digs is located near the Temple Walls of Jerusalem. This excavation, now in its third year, is led by Professor Benjamin Mazar on behalf of the Hebrew University and the Israel Exploration Society.

In the Old City of Jerusalem, Professor Nahum Avigad is now completing the third in a series of excavations intended to explore the history of settlement of the uppercity.

In the ancient city of Ashdod, famous as a Philistine settlement, a short digging season has just been completed which exposed a brick city gate dating from the time of King Solomon. This is the fifth season of digs at Ashdod which are jointly sponsored by the Israel Department of Antiquities, and the Carnegie Museum of Pittsburg, with the assistance of the Smithsonian Institute in Washington.

This is also the fifth season of digs at the biblical site of Dan where a large cult building of the Israelite period is now being uncovered.

Additional excavations are underway at Tel Anafa, a hellenistic site, at Tel Jeme in the western Negev Desert, at Gezer, Capernaum, Nazareth, Beersheba, and in the Carmel Caves. Other excavations are slated for Ein Bokek on the shore of the Dead Sea and at Malaha in the Hula Valley.

Israel si a country where the archeologists' pick and brush makes constant contact with the past, where weekly discoveries breath life into the pageant of the Bible. Tourists who would like to volunteer to work in the archeological digs should approach the Israel Department of Antiquities in Jerusalem.

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2,700 NORTH AMERICAN ARRIVE IN ISRAEL

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - With the expected arrival of 1,200 immigrants from the United States and Canada before the end of the month, the number of North American immigrants to settle in Israel for the first six months of this year will have reached the record number of 2,700 -- 700 more than in the same period last year.

Releasing these figures, a spokesman for the Department of Statsitics said that despite border trouble, 1970 would see a record number of tourists. Already, in the first half of July, more than 37,000 tourists visited the country, 4,000 more than in the same period last year. The vast majority arrived by air and less than one in ten arrived by sea.

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DEATH OF HAIFA CHIEF RABBI

Haifa, (JCNS). - Rabbi Yehoshua Kaniel, the Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi of Haifa, died here. He was aged 74. His funeral took place at the Carmel Beach cemetary.

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RUMANIAN CEMENT

Haifa, (JCNS). - Israel, usually a cement exporter, has been compelled to start importing cement to meet possible shortages due to increased building activity.

The Nesher Cement Works have imported 10,000 tons of cement from Rumania to forestall seasonal shortages during the peak building months of July to September. Some 7,000 tons have already arrived. Additional orders will be placed according to demand.

The Nesher Works in Haifa and Ramle are working at full capacity, producing 1,350,000 tons a year. This is normally sufficient to meet local demands, but it was feared that temporary shortages might develop in the next few months.

All exports have been suspended as the building boom takes every bag of cement produced locally. Till this year both plants had been operating at partial capacity due to the slackening market.

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AVIVIM FAMILIES LEAVING VILLAGE

Haifa, (JCNS). - Some of the ten families of Avivim who lost children in the school bus attack in May have asked to leave the village. They said they were unable to go on living close to the scene of the tragedy.

The Jewish Agency is dealing with their applications and is trying to arrange for their relocation. Their place will be taken by other settlers.

Two families who received assistance to move to a development town in the south changed their minds apparently under the influence of relatives. They are now demanding to be sent to an urban center near Haifa. They started a strike at the Safed Office of the Jewish Agency, although they were told there were no apartments available there.

THE DAY JERUSALEM FELL

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petizing smell made the starving people delirious (4, 12). The acqueduct that had brought water was broken, and water was scarce (4, 7). A woman tried to sell a bracelet for food. When she could not, she collapsed and died, as did her son. The little children everywhere were dying for lack of food (2, 16).

When R. Johanan saw men boiling straw and drinking the juice, he realized that the days of Jerusalem were over, and that if the Torah was to survive he had to escape from the city. It was not easy to do so, but by a ruse he succeeded, and wandered straight into the Roman camp where he was arrested (I, 31).

By this time, Titus was preparing his final attack on the city. In May, the outermost wall (the "Third Wall") fell; five days later the "Second Wall" fell. Two legions were now attacking the city itself, two the Tower of Antonia. In June, the tower fell and Titus had only to put the seal on his victory by taking the last stronghold of the Jews - the Temple.

At this stage, according to Josephus, Titus held a council with his staff, to discuss the fate of the Temple. Various views were expressed. Some thought that the Temple should be destroyed, "since the Jews would never cease from rebellion while the Temple remained as the focus for concourse from every quarter". Others held that it should be destroyed only if the Jews fortified it for purposes of warfare.

It is not known exactly what view Titus himself took. Josephus (who was naturally anxious to show the piety and kindness of his patron) records Titus as saying that he "would not in any circumstances burn down to magnificent a work". But a later historian asserts, perhaps more reliably, that it was Titus himself who urged that it should be destroyed.

In any case, it is extremely interesting that the story of the council, in a slightly different form, is reproduced in the Midrash. In this account (I, 31), R. Johanan b. Zakkai offers arguments to the Roman leaders (Vespasian in the Midrash) for leaving the Temple standing, but Pangar, dux of Arabia, under a pretense of friendliness toward the Jews, takes the opposite view, and the Roman commander seems to decide to follow his advice.

On the ninth of Av, the gate of the Temple was fired; on the following day the Temple itself was destroyed. The Midrash account (I, 31) holds that Titus had determined that the whole of the Temple should be utterly destroyed; the fact that a part of the western wall - the Wailing Wall of later ages - was left standing was, ironically, due in their view to the treacherous Pangar, who failed to carry out his task of destruction. His excuse to Titus that he had wanted to leave a monument standing to the Roman victory did not save him, and his disobedience cost him his life.

For another month fighting dragged on in the upper city, to which John and Simon, with some desperate followers, had escaped but John was soon captured, and though Simon escaped, he was captured later. The Romans gave no quarter; the struggle ended in a terrible slaughter and the almost complete destruction of the city.

The agony which followed stamped itself firmly into the Jewish tradition. To use a metaphor of the rabbis themselves, the tears which they could not wipe away ate into their cheeks and left them with permanent scars (I, 24).

After a prolonged and bitter fight of this kind, the Roman soldiers had to be allowed for a while to gratify their bestiability upon the survivors. Rebels who had not been killed could expect either to be executed, to be taken as prisoners or slaves, or to be used for the Romans' sport or amusement.

Terrible stories are told of those who remained. The famine was as great after the siege as before. Fugitives living in caves fed on the bodies of the slain (I, 45). The delicately nurtured Miriam, daughter of the fabulously wealthy Nagdimon b. Gurion, was reduced to gathering barley from beneath the horses' feet (I, 48).

Another former aristocrat, Martha, a daughter of the house of Boethus and wife of the High Priest Joshua b. Gamla, was tied by her hair to the tails of Arab horses and forced to run, said legend, from Jerusalem to Lydda (I, 47).

A touching story is told by the son and daughter of Zadok the priest, who had been given away as slaves to different people and only found each other again when brought together to be mated (I, 45). But according to the Midrash tradition, far worse was the fate reserved for the survivors who were sent to Rome. "Vespasian" - presumably Titus - filled three ships with Jewish notables for the Roman houses of prostitution, and sooner than accept this fate, they threw themselves into the sea (I, 45).

In later years, the mere memory of all this was too bitter to be born. R. Gamliel, awakened at night by a woman's crying, would think of the destruction and weep so much that his eyelashes were washed away (I, 24). R. Johanan used to expound a certain verse from Lamentations in sixty ways, but R. Judah Ha-Nasi only in twenty-four, because after that he used to break down at the recollection of so much unhappiness. (II, 4).

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